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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Patent Application of)
William K. ZURAVLEFF et al.) Group Art Unit: Unassigned
Application No.: Unassigned) Examiner: Unassigned
Filed: February 9, 1998)
For: SYSTEM FOR PLACING ENTRIES OF AN OUTSTANDING PROCESSOR REQUEST INTO A FREE POOL AFTER THE REQUEST IS ACCEPTED BY A CORRESPONDING PERIPHERAL DEVICE	,)
PRELIMINARY	Y AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior the examination of the above-identified U.S. patent application, please enter the following amendments.

IN THE TITLE:

Please change the title from "SYSTEM FOR PLACING ENTRIES OF AN OUTSTANDING PROCESSOR REQUEST INTO A FREE POOL AFTER THE REQUEST IS ACCEPTED BY A CORRESPONDING PERIPHERAL DEVICE" to --A METHOD FOR LIMITING ADMISSION OF PRIORITIZED MEMORY OR I/O TRANSACTIONS--.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 1-17 without prejudice or disclaimer.

Please add the following new claims.

A method according to Claim 18, further comprising the step of specifying a maximum number of outstanding memory or I/O transactions for said unique priority levels

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